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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed August 2, 2004, in the above-identified patent application.

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Response to Restriction

Response to Restriction Requirement.

In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction, Applicant elects Group I, with traverse.

The Examiner has listed Claims 51-52 in Group I. These claims recite a method of forming a semiconductor die package, and should correctly be in Group II.

Extension of Term. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. If any extension and/or fee are required, please charge Account No.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned attorney if any questions should arise.

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